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## THE STATE AND COUNTY ELECTION

**Small Vote Everywhere in State District and County. Congressman Rucker Triumphs Over Only Argument Against Him.**

**Gardner Distances Opponents. Ticket Generally Satisfactory.**

Elections are growing quiet, and matters of apparently less interest to the people every year they are held. It is surprising that not only no individual candidate for an office can inspire sufficient interest in an election to bring out the vote, but combined field fails. It is so with Republicans as well as Democrats while some of the offshoots appear more than fully represented at polls.

Salisbury township was the principal battleground in the election this year, the contest over one or two offices in that precinct being vigorous and sub-acrimonious, and while the interest there had centered on candidates for judge of the eastern district and congress, the handling of the nomination for county treasurer over to their candidate by his opponents with graceful celerity having relieved the minds in that regard, leaders did not neglect side lines in the form of aspirants for other offices.

While betting on results was not marked by any big money being placed, there were plenty of small wagers and almost every kind of proposition, the element of doubt concerning every race which bore the marks of a contest appearing to obsess and accurate bettors to name small sums.

The vote all over the state was unusually light, even the cities showing unexplainable indifference. Candidates of all parties suffered exactly alike. Work on farms was in such shape that no excuse for failure to turn out could be located there, but that elections are generally becoming matters of less concern to voters unless some financial feature arouses, is obvious.

### Triplet

Miss Edna Hines is visiting in Rothville this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm Dilts and two children of Snyder Okla., Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Evans of Chillicothe, and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Evans of Marshall, visited at the home of A. W. Guilloid a few days last week.

Miss Margaret Fleetwood of Tacoma, Washington, left Thursday for her home after a visit at the home of her grandfather, B. F. Fleetwood.

Mrs. Thos. O'Connell and daughter Altha, returned home Monday from a short visit with Mrs. Frank Stoner of Sumner.

Mrs. Tom Triplett spent the latter part of the week with her daughter Mrs. L. W. Dearing of Moberly.

Misses Helen Brown of Fayette Mo., Grace Arnot, Polo, Mo., Delsie Culberson, Mexico, Mo., and Allean Matthews, Sumner, Mo. are visiting their friend Miss Sadie McDonald.

J. B. Fewel of Chicago was here last week for a couple of days, visiting Miss Jane Anderson.

Miss Mary Banks of Mexico who visited the family of her cousin, Mrs. C. F. Lamkin last week, returned to her home Monday. Master Henry Lamkin returned with her for a short visit.

### Salisbury Scribbings

Miss Virginia Wilson and Clarence Glossen are reported sick with fever of the typhoid nature.

Arnica was in great demand here Wednesday and our drug men ought to have been happy.

John Herring, carpenter, left for Ill. where he will work at his trade.

Township committeemen elected here Tuesday Don Brummall, democrat, F. Bion McCurry republican, two good selections.

A splendid shower of rain fell here Wednesday at noon.

Material for the erection of the McCurry and Piltz building, cor 3rd and Broadway will all soon be on the ground.

We are glad to know the office of congressman is still to remain in grand old Chariton county that is now the home of Congressman, Circuit Judge and State Senator. We take off our hats to our sister counties who have been so courteous.

Robert E. Doke, known as Ed. Doke was shot and killed by Russell Jones near Huntsville, last Friday while in a difficulty. The body, after an inquest, was found and brot here and buried Saturday. We did not get full particulars of the tragedy but learn that Jones was arrested and charged with second degree murder. Deceased leaves a widow and four or five children to whom our sympathy is extended.

W. A. Dooley, an old gentleman age 81 who was living with his daughter Mrs. Kate Jennings was overcome by heat Thursday and fell on the floor, face down. He was picked up, laid on the bed and a physician was called and he is on his way to recovery now.

Our items went astray last week, it seems and our readers had a merited rest. The credit is not due us as they were mailed out on time.

The latest victim of appendicitis is young Heddeshheimer, near Forrest Green, who was operated on at Woodland Friday night, and is reported doing well.

Donald G. Henry of Jefferson City was here Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Henry Keller returned from Kansas City where she underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Ben Loeb of Ottawa Kansas is here on a visit to his mother.

Clyde Shue has sold out his interest in the Butcher Business to T. I. Horton and has taken a clerkship in the O. G. Pile Mercantile establishment.

Mrs. J. W. Armentraut has returned home from Kansas City hospital where she had been under treatment.

Mrs. Edgar Ehrhardt is seriously ill with lung trouble.

Geo. E. Johnson was operated on Sunday for appendicitis and is doing well.

Theo Tilson, line man for Telephone Co. while descending a pole had his arm badly cut by coming in contact with a piece of broken glass. The wound is healing and no serious results anticipated.

Miss Bertha Smith has returned home from a visit in Carroll county, much to the delight of her friends.

E. F. Baker known as "Uncle Tyre," was taken very ill Sunday and on account of heat and his extreme age, he is having a hard time. We hope for his recovery.

## Victorious Candidates



**Our next Governor, Col. F. D. Gardner**

Hon. Frederick D. Gardner won out in the gubernatorial race by a plurality of between 10,000 and 15000.

Hon. J. M. Atkinson was second and Hon. Cornelius Roach third in the race so far as returns to date indicate. Hon. J. P. Gordon won the nomination for state auditor, J. Kelly Pool for secy. of State, and of course Middlekamp for treasr. McAllister atty. genl. Judges Woodson and Williams are the lucky men for the supreme bench. Of course Hon. Jas. A. Reed will be the successor of himself. Our next Lieut. Governor will be Crossley.



**Our Congressman, Hon. W. W. Rucker**

Again have the voters of the second district spoken and named Judge Rucker their choice for the very important post at all times but much more important for the next two years. The splendid fight made against our home man by Hon. Ralph Lozier was altogether founded on the length of time the people had desired "Our Bill" to fill the office. There can be no doubt about the pleasure the administration will feel over the return of Judge Rucker to congress and there is no doubt about his friends all over the district and no feeling of bitterness among the great majority of his former constituency who voted against him this election solely from the belief that it would be well to give another worthy and able man a start. Had there been a full vote out, Judge Rucker's majority would have been much larger than what it is, which appears to be about 600.

The nomination of Major Lilly appears to be in doubt.

### Westville Waifs

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cavannah and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cavannah of Pee Dee spent Sunday with J. A. Riley and wife.

Mrs. M. M. Orr of Dallas Texas is here on a visit to her daughter Mrs. S. E. Lambert.

Louie Lambert who has been in Little Rock, Ark. for the past nine months is here on a visit to home folks.

Bernice Thomas is real sick and we fear she is taknig Typhoid fever.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry and two children of Shannondale visited at the home of W. A. Thomas last week.

Miss Enice Morlan of Marceline spent last week with Misses Fanie Robinson and Kathrine Riley.

There will be an ice cream supper at Westville Sat. night Aug. 5 th. Every body come and help a good cause.

Mrs. Rol Houch and two children of Childress Texas are here visiting Mrs. Houch's sister, Mrs. S. A. Lambert.

A party of young people had a picnic near Rockford last week and desiring to have a larger field for enjoyment, went on to the cutoff. Two of "the boys" didn't get to go but were delegated to take the team back home and put in the remaining time feeling lonesome.

Mrs. Jane Libbey of Chicago and Mrs. Jas. T. Rucker of Lewisburg, W. Va., arrived Saturday from West Virginia in the Libbey limousine, having a fine trip of some thousand miles. Mrs. Libbey returned to Chicago Monday and Mrs. Rucker to Lewisburg with her son Roy Wednesday night.

B. G. Rudd was at the Forker Community on last week-end. He gave an address Saturday night showing present day tendencies in religion. Services were held morning and evening of Sunday. A good gathering of people brought well filled baskets, and a social time was spent after worship Sunday morning.

Earl Cash, all round athlete but not much on horse back as a racerider, as he was taking his saddle animal to the pasture Wednesday evening had the misfortune to fall from the animal as it was running away with him. He sustained a broken collar bone and a badly injured elbow, attended to by one of our local surgeons.

Some fishermen on the cut-off mixed a little harmless fun with their bait last week by shooting promiscuously with a target rifle. Birds, spots, anything to shoot at, even the tail of a fine milch cow belonging to H. F. Johnson being considered legitimate by some one in the crowd of toughs. The cow came near bleeding to death before Mr. Johnson discovered the vandalism and it is needless to say that if he could locate the culprit, he would put the fixins on him proper.

The republican nominees appear to be as follows: Judge Lamm has more than 30,000 to be overcome and persists in claiming the nomination by more than 5000 while Swangers managers claim the nomination for him by that number. Britton for Lieut. Gov., Ford for auditor, Wilder for treasr., Vitt for secy. state, Elder for atty. gen'l. now have a good lead over their opponents and look like winners.

## THE EUROPEAN WAR

**Advance On Germans General Scores of Prisoners No Let Up**

Allies have taken several miles of trenches, many prisoners and guns during the fighting in France the past week. Russia has been successful in the East to a marked degree. Germany has added to her million of prisoners in East and West. Turks have fared badly.

### Mexico

Our border is well protected but fresh troops are still being sent to patrol. Just what is doing in Mexico is little known but Carranza appears willing to have a Commission investigate and make recommendations.

### Christian Church

Bible School at 9:45 a. m. Divine worship at 11. Rev. C. H. Winders will address the congregation. Gospel service at 8 when Rev. Winders will again present the message. You are cordially invited to all these services.

### An Eel Story

Roy Luncford and a friend of his were out fishing on the Chariton River Saturday, and as Roy was having extra good luck he went to drag out what he thot to be a 50 pounder but proved to be an eel which measured three feet long. It looked so large that Roy got scared and started to run thinking it was a hippotamus. But they finally got him cooled down so he could fish, but Roy didn't care much for fishing any more that day.

Bill Harper and Earl Bixby of Brunswick were here Sunday.

Hayden Carter of Salisbury and Harry Holley of Moberly were here last week the guests of friends.

Mrs. W. G. Agee went to Kansas City to assist in nursing her daughter Mrs. Sam Hardin who was operated on last week.

Mrs. Sam Hardin was operated on in Kansas City last week for appendicitis. She is recovering rapidly from the operation.

Hon. W. W. Rucker left for his post in Washington much to the regret of his many friends who had no opportunity to congratulate him on his victory.

Mrs. William Keene of north east of Salisbury spent the day Tuesday, with her sister, Mrs. Willie Dooley. She wished for rain and by the time she got home she had it.

Mrs. A. S. Taylor is quite ill tho much better than a few days ago when seized with heart weakness. Her many friends are much concerned over her condition.

Miss Evaline Chivers and her brother Roy visited the family of their aunt, Mrs. R. D. Vincent several days last week, returning to their home in Kansas City the first of the week.

Caretaker of the school premises, Bert Worsham, has improved the appearance of the campus very much by a fine job trimming the trees. There are twice too many trees on the ground, some of them scraggly and unsightly.

Roy W. Rucker left for West Virginia Wednesday night for a few weeks visit to his family and parents. He was badly in need of a rest, his strenuous and effective work in the interest of his uncle, congressman Rucker, during the past few weeks having told on his vigor.